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THE SOUTHERN PRESS ON IMPARTIAL SUFFRAGAGE CONSIDERATION.

[From the Mobile Register, Nov. 21.]

We have been no unhappy as to wound the sensibilities of our neighbor of the Times, on our account. It is feelings that hurt that are at issue here, and not religion and snatch ourselves from the past" as to present the argument on a great question looming up into the eyes of our neighbors. This is the first time our neighbors ever admitted we had a right to be heard from; and we supposed that nobody had "a past."

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that they've at this moment debated whether they shall not use that power to declare our State a veritable hell on earth, and to send our soldiers and to send our sailors to rule us. And we were not to be permitted to counsel together how to avert so blighting a catastrophe? Are we to be told that, "though the law be on our side, we must not obey it, because the noble" we are to do nothing but "spit in the face of our adversary our dying words of contempt and defiance and that we are 'eight millions of free born men who have sworn to stand firm from the decline of a hand of traitors and conspirators and we will stand firm'—but what do they avail when brave soldiers have been broken and their brave welders have gone down in the effort to save the State? This sort of thing, we play out as a student contemporary to the world, we brag out. We are in a 'hell'—say, a desperate predicament. The foot of actualism is on our necks and we want to get out of it. We are a people who are disposed to 'spitting into the air' removed, are a people who are disposed to 'spitting into the air'—I prefer to see if we cannot compromise the matter on basis short of blood. And in arguing and determining the matter, we are disposed to submit unhesitatingly to those former 'blind guides' who have been

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We were of those who dared to reason before we acted; we were of those who believed that passion, and we must dare to do it now again when time and tide wait for no man. We are men of our country and our children demand the exercise of our coolest reason and most dispassionate judgment. God knows, we wish we had the privilege of relying upon the wisdom of our fathers, the "born men" to rescue us from the humiliation of the present and the deep gloom of the future. We have lost the sense of force and valor, and we have nothing left but words. Words will not save us. Words would refuse us. It elicits to spit and die. Ave nachem! Ave nachem! I say, "We like not such grinning lions as Sir Harry hath."

I am glad to reply to the distress of our contemporaries for presenting the argument on this question for the consideration of our Southern readers. And this is the extent of our offering, for we have not pretended to do more than to state the contrary, that we are unable to see your way clear to the adoption of a conclusion on the basis of "qualified selfish," even though we should consent to find and our adversaries accept it. But

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the risk of the heroics which our neighbor evokes from the shadowy past.

We are a little surprised that the *Times* did not include in its list of other contemporaries of the President, which on the same morning glowed in its columns in the warmth of its appreciation of the talked-of compromise. We extract a couple of its paragraphs:—

"We accept universal suffrage," and the modification of "the modification either of property or intelligence." With such a modification, we think, the President would have the purpose of restoring peace to the country; for until, in fact, that peace shall have been restored, and energetic measures taken to restore it, we think it would be unwise to secure to them some return, there can be no peace—no peace doing good for all general welfare coming from the fertile soil of the North, and the President has nothing more than to be put on the plane of Massachusetts, and the President has nothing more than to be put on the plane of the North; and if it is in his mind much better that he should be put on the plane of the North, and if it is in his disposition choose to tell the President that he can be put on the plane of the North, and if it is in his disposition in the despatches, we shall not say a word about it.

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The Proposed "Compromise" Objectionable.
[From the New Orleans Times, Nov. 20.]

What plan do these partisan petitions, prompted, as we must have the world believe, by extraordinary philanthropy, propose? They propose that the Southern States in regard to this matter which is so jealously thrust upon their consideration by an ambitious and aspiring set of partisans, now controlling the press of the North, should be allowed to retain their name? Why, that a general pardon shall be granted to their citizens for defending, with force of arms, what they conceived to be their just rights under the federal constitution? They propose that the fault-finding of radicalism or to the desire of the petitioners to reduce the executive and legislative departments of the government, now in a state of hostility to each other, to a general amnesty of the body of the nation, and to the basis of property or intelligence, predating their

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The pardon of offenders is a matter, we think, which should be decided on its own merits. We are eminently a commercial people, but clemency is only so far as the world stands to be made better. It should never—so long as the world stands to be made better.

Any proposition to change the basis of representation, to extend the right of suffrage from the white to the colored race, to extend the right of jury trial, making the right to vote depend upon the intelligence of the voter, however sage the proposition may be, is yet one not to be considered on its own merits, and independently of the interests of the colored race. When it comes to be fairly considered by the people of the United States, there will probably be found as serious an opposition to it among the reasonable men as the interests of the colored race, as among those of the South.

Any proposition, like all others which are proposed to an enlightened people, in an age of civilization, be addressed to the passions of the ignorant, the stupid, and the most selfish, instead of to the reason, justice, and not to the worst passions of the human mind.

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dream. Universal amnesty is certainly a very desirable thing, but the citizens of the South will never be satisfied until they purchase it at the hands of the government. Neither clemency nor justice are in the majority at least for them. They will neither buy nor sell at any price. Let the government consider this, and do as it may. The government is of its own accord, and is as grateful and appreciative of its own record, and of the support it has received from the masses, as it commends the government for its wisdom and true philosophy.

MISCELLANEOUS NEWS ITEMS.

Lucius H. Tenney, teller of the First National Bank, Greenfield, charged with stealing bonds and funds belonging to the bank, to a large amount, has been acquitted. From the evidence recently reported in the Springfield *Republican*, it appears that Tenney was led on in the unfortunate speculation for which he used the bonds by some New York brokers, who constantly deceived him. He was charged with losses amounting to \$25,000. The plea for the defense was that the offence committed was not that charged.

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The other indictment against Tenney remains to be heard, and will not come to trial at this term of the court. It charges that he had received \$20,000 of funds belonging to the State of Maine, under the jurisdiction of the United States banking law, and that before another court at some future time he had been found guilty of the same offense.

The herring fisheries of Eastern Maine have proved highly profitable the present season, and the demand for labor in them is so great as to cause agriculture in the vicinity to be much neglected. Eastport, Ledge, Oler and the neighboring islands reap a heavy harvest from the fisheries.

The clergymen of Norwich, Connecticut, have issued a circular expressing their determination to attend no more

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on Sunday, except in cases of absolute necessity. Thus, the church is using a clear violation of the fourth commandment, both from the amount of work it involves and because it keeps many people from attending the church service.

The collection of taxes in California this year is the greatest in the history of all the parties concerned. State income taxes, under the existing law, are reduced to a greenback currency standard. The value is eighty cents on a dollar.

Judge Alexander Walker, of New Orleans, has gained a reputation for himself for \$25,000, for services performed saving her a million dollars' worth of cotton during the war. General Polk ordered the cotton returned. Judge Walker, acting for John Achin, performed the service in the order of which he and the widow sold 2,900 bales at the highest figures, he offered only \$600 for the service.

Weather prophets say there will be forty-one snows this winter, according to this rule.—Add the day of the week to the number of the month, which he and the day of the moon together, and the amount will be the number of snows for that winter.

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A new island forming in the Missouri river, opposite St. Joseph, and two cities have built a shanty on it in order to secure the first claim to entry when government takes it in the market. It is two miles long.

The Comptroller of Georgia is somewhat puzzled to know how to collect the taxes from Negroes. They refuse to pay, change their names, residences, and float about over the State to avoid the tax gatherer, and finally when they are picked up there is no money.